

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY.

The Night Clerk at the American House Assaulted—An Attempt to get at the Safe.

An unknown man called upon Oscar Lafontaine, night clerk at the American house, shortly after 12 Thursday night, and asked that the safe might be opened so that he could deposit there four or five hundred dollars he had with him, for safe-keeping, at the same time stating that he was a guest of the house in room thirty-seven. The clerk told him he would have to go to the Van Ness house and started to go to his room again when the stranger seized him, threw him down and choked him. After choking the prostrate clerk for a short time he asked him if he would open the safe then, when Lafontaine gained his liberty sufficiently to enable him to shout for help which he did. Instantly his assailant immediately took to his heels and ran out of the front door and across the park. Lafontaine proceeded to the police office and after recovering himself sufficiently, informed Officer O'Brien of what had occurred. At that time the man had disappeared and although diligent search was made he could not be found. Lafontaine was quite severely handled during the scuffle. A gash about two inches long was cut on his right arm a little below the shoulder and his face was badly scratched. He describes his assailant as a man of apparently thirty years of age, about five feet eleven inches tall and weighing one hundred and sixty-five pounds. He wore long thin whiskers and gold eye glasses and was evidently disguised. At the time of writing the officers are still searching and are in hopes to secure the would-be robber, who it is evident was not an expert.

Dr. Clark's Retreat Entered—An Unsuccessful Attempt Made on a King Street Residence.

It seems that in addition to the attempted robbery at the American house Thursday night, burglars were at work in other parts of the city before or after that episode. The watchman at Dr. Clark's Retreat on North avenue had occasion to leave his quarters between the hours of ten and eleven that night and during his absence some epicurean individuals broke into the store room through a basement window. The room happened to contain provisions, and either daunted by the sturdy walls which enclosed it, or preferring a square meal to any other kind of plunder, they fell to and destroyed a prodigious quantity of chickens, turkeys and sweet meats. When the watchman returned his visitors were gone, evidently disturbed by his reappearance.

An attempt was also made early yesterday morning to rob the house, numbers 82 King street, occupied by Mr. S. P. McKean. The domestic was aroused about 2 o'clock by hearing the gate opened and upon getting up saw a man enter the yard and move around to the front of the house. Boarders on the second floor were aroused by hearing a key grate in the door and Mr. Lee, one of the boarders, stepped to the head of the stairs and asked who was there, and if anything was wanted. No response being received, search was made when it was found that part of the outside molding on the door had been removed. The girl who saw the man enter the yard described him as being tall and slim, and from her description it is supposed he was the same person who attempted to rob the safe at the American house.

It was learned Friday that a man whose appearance answered exactly to the description of Lafontaine's assailant, called at the residence of Mrs. O. A. Burton Thursday morning with two boxes of blueberries for sale. The idea of a man well dressed as he was and wearing gold eyeglasses, peddling blueberries, excited the suspicion of Mrs. Burton and maid, and they recognized him at once from our description of the American house intruder, yesterday's issue. The officers continued the search Friday, but no clue to his whereabouts could be discovered.

THE LEGISLATIVE REUNION.

Second Meeting of the Executive Committee—A Programme Partially Arranged.

The executive committee appointed to arrange for the legislative reunion met at the Burdwell house in Rutland Friday afternoon. These members of the committee were present: R. C. Abell of West Haven, president; J. W. Brock of Montpelier treasurer; C. W. Brownell, Jr. of Burlington, secretary; W. W. Stickney of Ludlow, corresponding secretary; W. H. Fullerton of Manchester, F. S. Stranahan of St. Albans, C. A. Hibbard of Burlington, H. F. Field of Rutland and W. B. C. Stickney of Bethel, C. D. Brainerd of Danville also being absent.

The following committee programme were appointed: G. G. Benedict, J. K. Batchelder, W. P. Dillingham, John W. Currier, W. B. C. Stickney. Of these gentlemen there were present Geo. W. Hooker, John W. Currier, W. B. C. Stickney.

F. S. Stranahan in behalf of the committee on transportation reported that all the railroads in the State would carry to and from Montpelier for fare one way.

W. B. C. Stickney reported for the committee a provision for the appointment of a committee on reception to meet the visitors on their arrival at Montpelier and arrange for their accommodation. It also provides for an address of welcome; a reception by the Governor and the Legislature; a meeting of the Legislature; an historical address, and addresses by many prominent men in the State; promenades one or two evenings, elaborate fireworks on another evening, a banquet on another; and a farewell meeting.

This outline of a programme was presented merely as a basis on which to work and may be materially changed by the committee.

After the report by Mr. Stickney, Warren Gibbs and C. A. Hibbard were appointed a committee on fireworks and J. W. Currier was elected a committee of one on badges.

It was voted that a sum not to exceed \$250 be expended for fireworks.

The committee then adjourned to meet in this city Thursday, September 10.

It is probable that the Sherman military band will be one of the bands engaged to furnish music for the legislative reunion, October 1. Three thousand invitations will be sent out and there is no doubt that it will be a notable event. Secretary Stickney of the executive committee has heard from 207 towns out of 240, which report 2,410 ex-members of the legislature living, and it is thought that the total will reach 2,800.

The oldest one named is Eli Chamberlain of Craftsbury, aged 94, who was a member of the House in 1822. Representative J. W. Brock is chairman of the local reception committee, and a large number have already applied for quarters at Montpelier, some of whom will be accompanied by their wives and daughters. The following appointments have been made for the reunion: Sergeant-at-Arms, Representative Charles D. Houghton of Stamford; Doorkeepers, J. W. Gould of Wadsworth, J. Coffey, of Windsor, L. J. Soper of St. Johnsbury and John Weeks of Salisbury.

Best French Brandy, Smart-Weed, Jamaica Ginger and camphor are sold at the Dr. Pierce's Extract of Smart-Weed, is the best remedy for colic, diarrhoea, cholera morbus, dysentery or bloody flux, also, to break up colds, fevers and inflammatory attacks if used early.

SPRING GROVE CAMP MEETING.

Thursday's Services—Annual Meeting and Election of Officers—Notes.

The attendance at the M. E. camp-meeting at Spring Grove, New Haven, has been steadily increasing, and Thursday there were good congregations present at each of the services.

The morning prayer service in the chapel at 8:30 was well attended and very hearty. This service is rightly considered one of the most important and beneficial services of the day, being as it is preliminary to the public services and the source of much inspiration.

At the 10 o'clock service the sermon was preached by Rev. A. O. Spoor of Jay, N. Y., who took for his text a portion of the 6th verse of the 5th chapter of John. "Will thou be made whole?" Rev. J. G. Perkins followed in exhortation, after which there was a service of prayer, conducted by Rev. L. A. Dibble.

In the afternoon at one o'clock a children's meeting was held at the stand, in charge of Rev. L. A. Dibble. At the regular two o'clock service Rev. J. G. Perkins of West Rutland preached. His text was, "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."—Heb. xi. 1.

Rev. J. G. Perkins of Winooski delivered the sermon in the evening.

The Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the association was held in the chapel at 10 o'clock, president J. S. Stafford in the chair. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. J. Noe.

The different reports were read and acted upon. From the officers' reports it appeared that the association is in a prosperous condition, having added largely to the grounds by the acquisition by purchase of new land and having made many needed improvements. The officers elected are as follows: President, J. S. Stafford, Brandon; Vice-presidents, G. C. Thrall, Samuel Huntington, G. C. Cady; Secretary, M. F. Allen, North Ferrisburgh; Treasurer, A. J. Cushman, auditor, J. L. Lewis, Ferrisburgh; Alfred Ferguson, H. C. Marvin, Henry Tracy, O. K. Brittle, O. P. Mead.

The somewhat unpleasant weather of Friday had little appreciable effect on the attendance at Spring Grove, which was in excess of any previous day. The morning meetings were noticeably well attended. At the forenoon service Rev. M. D. Jump of Burlington, preached an able and effective sermon on the topic "Faith," taking as his text Mark xi: 22—"Have faith in God."

A children's meeting was held at 1 o'clock p. m. and prayer meetings were held in many of the cottages. At 2 o'clock, in place of the preaching service, the anniversary exercises of the Women's Auxiliary of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union were held. Remarks were made by Revs. J. H. Bond of Benson and E. H. Delavan of Weybridge. The exercises were very interesting and well attended. The reports from the officers of the various auxiliaries showed that a lively and growing interest is manifested in the work.

Sunday's and Monday's Services—Eloquent and Interesting Discourses—The Depressing Rain—Notes.

The promise of the morning was amply fulfilled and Sunday was a most perfect day. The sun streaming down through the foliage was tempered sufficiently to render the temperature delightfully cool and attractive to the large congregations which filled the circles at each of the services. The morning prayer meeting which was held in the chapel at 6 o'clock was so well attended that many were unable to gain admission. At half-past eight a large congregation gathered in the auditorium for a love feast and by the time it was concluded the grounds had begun to be filled with the arrivals which were coming from the surrounding country in teams, long lines of which reached far back on every road leading to the camp.

"Reminding of the bell" called together the largest congregation of the meeting for the 10 o'clock service. The sermon, which was by Rev. H. F. Austin of Vergennes, was an earnest plea for the recognition and acceptance of God in the heart and the life. The text was Philippians ii: 13—"Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God which worketh in you, both to will and to do his good pleasure." The speaker dwelt upon the free moral agency of man. Man, he said, was an automaton, a mechanism, fully constructed by the Creator and then left to run alone. God keeps his hand on the machinery, but there is no coercion in his touch. No man really ignores the fact that he is dependent on God. He is not independent, he is not self-sufficient, and the goodness of the Creator, but while it humbles it also exalts man, and makes him but little lower than his God.

The spirit working through the consciences of men shows them that they are sinners, and that they are working in the soil "to will and to do." God calls all men unto repentance. God "wills only his good pleasure," that men should be saved; man's will then comes in, preceding the voluntary action. All active service must be voluntary, and men must be both spiritually and physically free, their powers not being used by neglect. So do the spiritual powers. What would once move the heart to penitence, to-day is inoperative, hence the need of voluntary and immediate acceptance of the free salvation of God.

At one o'clock the number of people on the encampment was estimated to be nearly 5000 and all the meetings were well attended. The chapel was crowded with large numbers gathered at the children's meeting in front of the stand. Rev. L. A. Dibble conducted the latter and made the exercises very interesting and profitable to the large number of children who literally drank in what was said. He was ably assisted by the veteran worker Mrs. D. P. Hubbard, who gave a "talk" to the children, who listened with attention and devotion, which might well have been copied by older persons on the grounds.

At the 2 o'clock service Rev. J. H. Bond of Benson, preached from Luke xiv: 47. And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. Jesus Christ, he said, came to unfold to us a great scheme of redemption and to offer a free and full salvation. At this time he was giving his disciples' instructions that repentance and remission of sins should be preached to all nations. He preached that salvation was by repentance. Following this was the remission of sins. To the Christian the text is full of command. It gives him his mission and commission to preach the gospel abroad in the whole world. The speaker proceeded to give as the reasons why Jesus commanded the gospel to be preached first at Jerusalem that it was then the centre of the world's thought and learning; it was there it should challenge inspection and criticism; it was there in the home of the prophets and of Abraham's descendants that it was first used to be preached; lastly and most important it was at home, God's people should commence the preaching of his gospel at home, among their own people.

The 6 o'clock prayer meetings were well attended at the Vergennes, Middlebury, Pittsford, and other cottages and a young people's meeting was held at the same hour in the chapel.

At the regular evening service Rev. L. A. Dibble of Shelburne preached an able and effective sermon from the text, "And when it is finished bringeth forth

death." James i: 15. Taking for his subject "sin," he considered it as a moral malady, tracing its germination, growth and work in the soul. He then drew a vivid picture of the results or wages of sin which are death and, in closing, pointed out the cure for the malady, earnestly exhorting the unbelievers to make use of this cure before it should be too late.

The quiet of the camp and stillness of the night rendered the service most impressive one and the earnest exhortations of the preacher, it is hoped, touched many responsive chords in the hearts of his audience.

Monday's Services.

Following the perfect weather of Sunday a most depressing rain commenced about half past seven and continued with little intermission throughout the day.

The morning prayer meeting, held in the chapel at 8:30, was led by Rev. J. J. Noe. Rev. McPherson of the Vermont conference preached at the forenoon service from the text: "Then had the churches rest throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria and were edified; and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied." Act ix: 31. Rev. G. T. Sutton of Starksbury followed in exhortation.

At one o'clock the children's and young people's meetings were combined, in charge of Rev. L. A. Dibble.

In the afternoon services the preacher was Rev. T. W. Gregory of North Ferrisburgh, who preached from Luke xvii: 10. "We have done that which was our duty to do." Rev. G. T. Sutton followed in exhortation.

At 4:30 a girls' meeting was held in the chapel, in charge of Mrs. L. A. Dibble of Shelburne, and Miss Anna Allen of North Ferrisburgh. Prayer meeting was held in several of the cottages at 6 p. m. At the evening service Miss E. H. Delavan of Weybridge, preached, taking as her text, Rev. vii: 12-13.

Notes.

Thursday the auxiliary of the W. C. T. U. of the Methodist church had their anniversary exercises.

There are eight new cottages, either finished or in process of construction, owned by the Methodist charge, and Messrs. Gough, Taylor, Cushman, Noonan, Kendall and Foote.

The erection of more cottages has completely filled up the gaps in the circle and adds much to the appearance of the grounds.

Nearly all the cottages are open and most of them have been freshened up with new coats of paint.

Rev. J. W. Bennett, the presiding elder, has unfortunately been confined to his bed since the commencement of the meeting by a neuralgic trouble.

The song service is being well conducted in charge of Mr. Leonard of Brandon. Mr. O. K. Brittle assists with a cornet very acceptably.

The association have added to the equipment of the hotel, and those who patronize Mr. Bailey may be sure of good fare.

The following ministers were on the ground Thursday: Rev. J. W. Bennett, P. E.; Revs. M. D. Jump of Burlington, J. G. Gooding of Winooski, S. D. Elkins of Williston, L. A. Dibble of Shelburne, T. W. Gregory of North Ferrisburgh, H. F. Austin of Vergennes, G. T. Sutton of Starksbury, J. J. Noe of Middlebury, J. S. Mott of Panton, J. Heath of Salisbury, L. Hathaway of Leicester Junction, M. M. Curry, of Pittsford, M. E. of Ferrisburgh, J. H. Bond of Benson, J. G. Perkins of West Rutland, D. Perry of Monkton, E. H. Delavan of Weybridge, A. O. Spoor of Jay, New York and D. C. Ayers of Moriah, N. Y.

It is very quiet and orderly on the grounds, thanks to the efficient management of the police force, and those who attended the meeting from idle curiosity find little encouragement.

The numbers of campers who patronize the hotels increase from year to year, many preferring to be relieved of the drizzling and inconvenience incident upon preparing meals in the cottages.

Organ Recital.

The completion of the repairs upon the Unitarian organ Friday was made the occasion of a very delightful organ recital by the celebrated musician and organist, Prof. E. M. Bowman of St. Louis, organist of the Second Baptist church (Dr. Boyd's), St. Louis, associate of the London Royal college of organists, and president of the American college of musicians. Prof. Bowman is a native Vermonter, born in the little town of Barnard, and has been revisiting the scenes of his childhood. Fortunately, he happened to be in town just in time to test the Unitarian organ, after the improvement and repairs which had been placed upon it. A select audience of musicians and music lovers assembled at the church, at 5 o'clock p. m., to listen to Prof. Bowman, who undoubtedly ranks among the very foremost organists of this country. The following programme was rendered:

Programme.

Grand March in E major, Boston Smith and May.

Toccata and Fugue in D minor, Bach.

Canon in E sharp, Bach.

Fantasia on a Scotch air, Boecklin.

Overture to "Poet and Peasant," Suppe.

It would be impossible to adequately describe the playing of Prof. Bowman. He possesses qualities of the highest order.

To a wonderful command of the instrument, Prof. Bowman adds the finest taste, the most delicate and artistic touch, and that rare gift, the power of making the instrument express the spirit and the moving thought of the composer.

The beautiful and familiar "Andante in G" by Brahms, was exquisitely rendered, and the brilliant Toccata and fugue, taxing the capacities of the organ to the utmost, was played with the precision and power of a thorough master of the instrument.

The delicate and tender canon in E sharp, the exquisite Scotch air with variations, and the grand overture to "Poet and Peasant" were given in a manner which held the audience spell-bound. At the close of the recital Prof. Bowman was made the recipient of congratulations and thanks from many of the audience. The recital was a rich musical treat to all who were so fortunate as to hear it.

Agricultural Fairs.

The season of agricultural fairs is close at hand and from the way they are being advertised they promise to be more than usually successful. The New England fair will be held at Bangor, Maine, September 1-5, and the Vermont State fair at Howards Park, Burlington, September 7-11. The dates and places of holding other fairs in this State are as follows: Addison county, Middlebury, September 1-3; Franklin county, Shelburne, September 1-3; Mad River Valley, Waitsfield, September 2-3; Union Exhibition society, St. Albans, September 3-5; Champlain Valley, Vergennes, September 14-16; Winooski Valley, Winooski, September 15-17; Rutland county, September 15-17; Caledonia county, St. Johnsbury, September 15-18; Bethel, September 16-18; Springfield, September 22-24; Lamotte Valley, Morrisville, September 22-24; Orleans county, Barton, September 22-24; Dog River Valley, Northfield, September 22-24; Battellville Valley, Factory Point, September 23-24; Orwell, September 23-24; Western Vermont, Fairhaven, September 29-30 and October 1-3; Grand county, Brattleboro, September 29-30 and October 1-3; Wilmington, September 30.

VERMONT MATTERS.

The Bridgewater mills have stopped for three weeks for repairs.

James R. Bunt of North Troy has been granted a patent for a saw-gummer.

The Brattleboro band will furnish music for the coming muster at St. Albans.

A catamount has been around on Birch hill, in Brandon doing some damage to cattle.

J. B. H. Cushman has been appointed postmaster at East Charleston, Orleans county.

Enoch Ives of Timonium mowed five and a half acres of grass in four hours the other day.

The fair of the Poultry Industrial society, will be held in Poultney September 22, 23 and 24.

June, daughter of W. B. Spencer, one of the famous baby triplets of Wells, died Friday morning.

The French Catholics of Rutland intend to pull down the church they now occupy next spring and build a new one.

The Missisquoi Valley Methodist camp-meeting opened at Sheldon Monday and continues one week.

Adna Brown's large farm barn in Springfield was struck by lightning Friday night and burned to the ground. Loss, \$3000.

Postmaster L. W. Redington of Rutland will deliver the oration at the Franklin county fair to be held at Sheldon.

The Bridgewater cornet band have been engaged to furnish music for the Windsor county agricultural fair, September 22, 23 and 24.

Several cases of burglary and sneak

thieving are reported in the vicinity of Northfield the past week and one arrest has been made.

Arrangements are being made for the annual operatic festival in Newport. It is expected to take place the first week in September.

An attempt to burglarize J. C. Dike's store at South Roylton Thursday morning, but the burglars were scared away.

Preparations are being made for a fireman's muster at Rutland to be held about September 15. It is hoped to offer \$500 in prizes.

E. Patten, one of the selectmen of Richford, fell from his chair while eating dinner Sunday and died almost instantly of apoplexy, aged 50 years.

Receiver Hendee announces that depositors in the late lamented Vermont National may expect about the 10th of September, a dividend of ten per cent.

Arrangements are being made for a two day's music festival at Lyndonville next week. The St. Johnsbury, Barton and Newport choruses will participate.

During a thunderstorm Friday night Worcester Benton's barn in Union Village was struck by lightning and burned. Loss about \$800; uninsured.

Moses Joy, Jr., president of the Milford, Mass., water works, has concluded negotiations to put in waterworks in Bennington, which will begin immediately.

A. G. Bowley, the deputy sheriff who was accidentally shot a few days ago in the depot at Rutland is doing finely at his home in Newport. The wound is fast healing.

The Black River academy committee has engaged as principal Henry Keudall of Cambridge, Mass. He is a graduate of Harvard and has been teaching in Hamilton, Pa.

A barn belonging to Cyrus Cranston in Timonium was struck by lightning in the storm Friday night and, with its contents, entirely burned. The barn was valued at \$500.

There is a gentleman residing in Barre, it is said, who has lived ever since the railroad was built, that never was on the Barre train until last Saturday. Whenever he visits Montpelier he goes with a team.

A little child about four years old, belonging to a Welsh family, had lately arrived in this country, while playing in the water was drawn into a culvert in Fairhaven last Saturday and was drowned.

Luther Daniels, for many years treasurer of the Rutland Savings bank, and one of the substantial capitalists of the old citizens of that town, died suddenly last evening, aged about eighty years.

The society of the Congregational church at Rutland held a meeting Thursday evening and voted unanimously to join with the church in calling Dr. Seaver.

The Vermont Central Baptist association held their next annual session at West Rutland, September 2 and 3. An extensive programme has been prepared. Several prominent speakers will be present.

Thursday will be "governor's day," at the muster at St. Albans when the troops will be reviewed by Gov. Pingree, and there will be sham fight and other military manoeuvres.

Ex-Governor Redfield Proctor has been appointed by the governor to represent Vermont in the American forestry congress, which will meet in Boston, September 23 and 24.

Allen Calhoun of Middlebury has contracted to put steam heating apparatus into the graded school building, at Bennington. His men are now doing a like piece of work at Burr and Burton seminaries, Manchester.

It looks very much as if Vermont were being "worked" by an organized gang of horse thieves. Liverman Blodgett of West Rutland has lost a team and it was last heard of in Granville.

A building occupied by Edwin Fisher as a cooper shop, at Lyndon Centre, with the stock and tools, was burned Thursday. This is the first building burned there in a hundred years.

Another rich vein of white marble has been discovered at West Rutland, on a farm recently purchased by John O. Boutwell. The fire was measured five feet nine inches from tip to tip, and stood four feet and six inches.

While Mr. Henry Ingham of Vergennes was returning a load of benches that had been used at his brother's funeral the load tipped over and a portion of it fell upon him. He was picked up insensible. He was severely but not dangerously injured.

The lightning was unusually lively in the telegraph office at Rutland Friday night. The operator felt repeated shocks, one that went from the wires to the stove and another that struck in the morning a discharge spoiled a couple of instruments.

The members of the Washington county bar have requested Judge Redfield to sit for his portrait, to be hung in the Court house at Montpelier, above the bench, and Thomas W. Wood, the artist, will be at work immediately.

The proposed site of the reservoir at Bennington is east of that village 9500 feet from the Putnam house, and over three hundred feet above the side walk in front of that hotel, which will give some very heavy and effectual fire streams.

Orville, son of M. B. Carpenter of Barre was once the guard at Mount Macgregor, over the remains of Gen. Grant. Mr. Carpenter was a member of Co. 13th Vermont. H. B. Ormsbee, Co. C, 13th Vermont, was also one of the guard.

Frank Robinson's barn at Sheffield was entirely consumed by fire one evening recently. The fire was caused by his horse knocking a lantern down in the barn. It was with quite an effort that the house

was saved. O. M. Ingalls had his face quite badly burned.

The acting postmaster-general yesterday appointed the following named fourth class postmasters in Vermont: Waterbury, Seth P. Moulton; South Barton, Charles C. Berry; Lakesfield, Nathan Brigham.

The outlook is good for a good representation from Vermont at the New Orleans exposition which opens in November, a large number of exhibits from different parts of the State having already been promised. Col. John B. Mead of Randolph, who is on the board of management.

The telephone committee at Rutland has learned from the Bell company that the New England company has full control over the Bell instruments there. The committee is endeavoring to get the telephone subscribers together giving up the telephone altogether or to submitting to the advance.

A passenger on the Central Vermont had his head badly bruised by striking against the Bethel bridge, Wednesday. It is supposed that he either put his head out of the window, or leaned from the platform to such an extent as to come in contact with the bridge.

Charles O'Sullivan, a machine tender in the Adna Mountain paper mill at Bellows Falls, was caught on a pulley Wednesday and carried over the shafting. One foot was torn from the socket, the cords were torn out to the elbow and a leg was badly bruised. It was a remarkable escape from instant death.

Swanton, it seems, is to have another paper. The Christian Messenger, the Methodist denominational organ of this State, has been sold to Charles Morse, who takes possession September 1st. It will, it is said, move the paper to Swanton. Mr. Morse was formerly connected with the Newcenter of Hyde Park.

While Frank M. McLean of Rutland was running his printing press Thursday morning his little daughter, two years old, put her hand in the press and the thumb and fore-finger on the right hand were cut off just above the nail. The child at last accounts was doing well.

Mrs. Eugene O'Donnell's farm dwelling, sheds and barns connected at Guilford, were burned by lightning with their contents Thursday night. The loss was covered by an insurance of \$1000. Mrs. O'Donnell's husband was killed about a year ago while excavating rock from Crowell's reservoir at Brattleboro.

Of the forty-five town representatives sent to the State legislature from Swanton county, but thirty-one appear. Living: L. L. Cushman, E. C. Wait, A. A. Brooks, E. B. Rounds, H. A. Burr, Moses Catlin, D. J. Morrill, J. A. Barney, D. O. Potter, E. N. Bullard, H. Platt, R. H. Scott, F. J. Hawley. Since 1860 Swanton has had six out of whom only three have been re-elected. W. H. Blake 1865-6, and H. A. Burr 1867-8.

Rev. Father Cunningham of Brattleboro has announced to his congregation that he will sail September 9 for a trip of two months to Ireland. His mother and one of two brothers are living at Newry, his native town, and he has not seen them since he started for this country, twenty-five years ago. He was educated at St. Sulpice, Paris, making his preparatory studies in the schools of Ireland.

Wm. Johnson, formerly of Jamaica, a carpenter at Brattleboro, was run over recently. When hit Johnson took a complete somersault, his head was badly gashed, and his shoulders, arms and legs badly bruised. He seemed to be recovering from his physical injuries, but he was afterwards taken violently insane, and two men were required to hold him.

Many of the seven-year-old daughter of W. J. Allen of Wardsboro fell off a cart, which was loaded with about half a ton weight, the wheel passing diagonally across her body, just grazing the side of her head. Upon examination no bones were found broken, though copious hemorrhage continued for several hours indicating internal injuries, her recovery is considered probable.

At the annual meeting of the Bennington Historical society held Monday afternoon those officers were elected: President, Hon. H. H. Hall; vice-presidents, Rev. Isaac Jennings, Hon. Thomas White, and Major A. B. Valentine; recording secretary, Edward L. Bates; corresponding secretary, Charles M. Bliss; treasurer, Ellis A. Colby; executive committee, John Scott chairman, Charles Thatcher, L. J. Abbott, Alfred Robinson, A. J. Dewey.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Howe scale company was held Wednesday and these directors were present: John H. Reynolds, George S. Studwell of New York, and Henry C. Gleason of Shrewsbury. The directors immediately held a meeting and re-elected these officers: John H. Page, president; J. W. Norton, clerk; W. W. Reynolds, superintendent and W. F. Lewis, assistant superintendent.

The town of Danvers brought suit last week for \$5000 against George Knapp, one of its listers. Twenty-six instances are given where the listers are not properly allied out, and there have been some cases where people whom the selectmen threatened to sue have paid taxes on property which was kept out of their lists. The law is very specific and strict in our view within the limits of the space at our disposal to tell you of the great advantages of the New Davis Sewing Machine and the Best Feed, which is its only feature. We can simply say that it is only too easy to see this new feed method, in order to appreciate and understand its great superiority. Call and see it at E. W. H. Lake, Shelburne, Vt., and E. J. Corse, Underhill, Vt.

Not in His List.